1	BEFORE THE						
2	ILLINOIS COMMERCE COMMISSION						
3	IN THE MATTER OF:						
4	BEVERLY J. CARLSON,)						
5	Complainant,						
6	vs.) No. 10-0051						
7	COMMONWEALTH EDISON COMPANY,)						
8	Respondent.)						
9	Complaint as to service in) Harvard, Illinois.						
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11	Chicago, Illinois May 4, 2010						
12	Met, pursuant to adjournment, at 11:00 a.m.						
13	BEFORE:						
14	Ms. Leslie D. Haynes, Administrative Law Judge						
15	APPEARANCES:						
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     SULLIVAN REPORTING COMPANY, by
     Jean M. Plomin, CSR, RPR
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     License No. 084-003728
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- 1 JUDGE HAYNES: Pursuant to the direction of the
- 2 Illinois Commerce Commission, I now call
- 3 Docket 10-0051. This is the complaint of Beverly
- 4 Carlson versus Commonwealth Edison Company, complaint
- 5 as to service in Harvard, Illinois.
- 6 May I have the appearances for the
- 7 record, please, starting with the complainant, name
- 8 and address, please.
- 9 MS. CARLSON: Beverly Carlson, 8106 Reese,
- 10 R-e-e-s-e, Road, Harvard, Illinois.
- 11 MR. GOLDSTEIN: On behalf of Commonwealth
- 12 Edison Company, Mark L. Goldstein, 3019 Province
- 13 Circle, Mundelein, Illinois, 60060. Telephone number
- 14 is (847) 949-1340. And I have with me today Monica
- 15 Merino of ComEd.
- 16 JUDGE HAYNES: Okay. Since the last time we
- were together, there's been several filings here,
- 18 namely the motion to dismiss filed by the respondent.
- 19 And I think at this time that I'm going to have to
- 20 deny the motion to dismiss, and so I think that we
- 21 should go ahead and schedule the rest of this
- 22 proceeding because there's still a question here.

- 1 And I can't remember where we left off last time, if
- 2 parties had finished discovery. And was there
- 3 another filing? Was there a motion to compel in
- 4 there somewhere that was filed?
- 5 MR. GOLDSTEIN: There was no motion to compel,
- 6 Judge. There was, I believe -- and Ms. Carlson can
- 7 correct me obviously -- she filed an amended second
- 8 request for discovery.
- JUDGE HAYNES: Oh, okay.
- 10 MR. GOLDSTEIN: I can say that with our reply
- 11 to her response to our motion to dismiss, I believe
- we've provided her all the documentation we have that
- 13 related to her request for discovery.
- 14 JUDGE HAYNES: Okay.
- MR. GOLDSTEIN: I may be wrong, but I think
- 16 that's correct.
- 17 MS. MERINO: That's correct.
- MS. CARLSON: I have many items still
- 19 outstanding that Dan was going to look into.
- JUDGE HAYNES: Oh, the ComEd employee.
- I just think that at this point I
- 22 can't grant the motion to dismiss. However, if there

- 1 is not an outstanding motion to compel -- has the
- 2 company provided everything they have or...
- 3 MR. GOLDSTEIN: I think in relation to what has
- 4 been requested as part of discovery. If Ms. Carlson
- 5 will provide me a subsequent list of what she
- 6 believes Mr. Kowalewski promised her, I'll look into
- 7 it and see what I can do to provide that information
- 8 to her.
- 9 Perhaps it might be helpful, Judge,
- 10 since you're denying the motion to dismiss, if you
- 11 would care to narrow the issues for us so that when
- 12 we do go forward with the evidentiary hearing, we can
- 13 address those issues.
- 14 JUDGE HAYNES: And what part is not clear,
- 15 Mr. Goldstein?
- 16 MR. GOLDSTEIN: Well, you said that you denied
- 17 the motion but you haven't given any basis for it.
- 18 And I'd like to have some kind of basis for it.
- 19 Is there an issue of fact? And if
- 20 there is an issue of fact, what fact are you looking
- 21 to --
- 22 JUDGE HAYNES: Who is the owner?

- 1 MR. GOLDSTEIN: Well, I guess we've provided,
- 2 you know, every piece of information we have with
- 3 respect to the ownership of the poles in question,
- 4 and I don't know what else to provide. You're going
- 5 to see the same evidence, what we have, at an
- 6 evidentiary hearing. Obviously we're going to have
- 7 to have somebody go out there and be an eyeball
- 8 witness to all of that, I guess.
- 9 MS. CARLSON: There's been four people out
- 10 there already.
- 11 MR. GOLDSTEIN: How many more people can we
- 12 send?
- 13 MS. CARLSON: And I've gotten no reports from
- 14 them whatsoever, and that was one of my requests.
- 15 Actually, I didn't get the code for the maps; that
- 16 was number one, if you want to look at your request.
- 17 MR. GOLDSTEIN: Uh-huh.
- MS. CARLSON: On No. 5 and 7, reports, orders
- 19 and findings from the initial phone calls back in
- 20 '08. There were reports filed. There were reports
- 21 done. There were findings done. There were orders
- 22 issued. I've never gotten copies of those.

- No. 6 and 7 were actual orders to
- 2 accomplish my requests that were issued. I've never
- 3 seen copies of those. I've asked for a written
- 4 distribution and transmission definition. I have not
- 5 gotten that. And I've asked for any letters or
- 6 reports that were sent to me, and I've not gotten
- 7 those because there were none I don't think.
- 8 And then on my second amended request,
- 9 I asked for the history of the transformer dating
- 10 back to '62 including any inspections, any safety
- 11 issues, anything on that transformer that was done
- 12 from 1962. Anybody that came out to look at it to
- 13 make sure that it was in safe operating condition,
- 14 any maintenance that was done to it, I have not
- 15 gotten that either.
- 16 And if the Judge recommends me filing
- 17 a motion to compel, I can, but I deliberately did not
- 18 because I felt that it was going to be provided to
- 19 me.
- 20 MR. GOLDSTEIN: Well, what I'm suggesting,
- Judge, is if she wants to stop short of the motion to
- 22 compel and put all this in writing and ask

- 1 specifically again what she is requesting -- I know
- 2 we had a session after the last status hearing where
- 3 we went over the various data requests that
- 4 Ms. Carlson did make. I guess we could look at that
- 5 again and see what we do have.
- 6 Obviously a lot of the information
- 7 that Ms. Carlson is seeking is or may be 48 years old
- 8 and I doubt that it's in ComEd's system.
- 9 MS. CARLSON: However all of the information
- 10 from '08 from my initial telephone call and all the
- 11 reports and findings and orders that were issued
- 12 certainly are available. And I feel that I don't
- 13 need -- I should not have to put this in writing
- 14 again. He's got a copy of my request to produce and
- 15 the second amended one, and I just told him the
- 16 numbers.
- 17 MR. GOLDSTEIN: So we'll look at 5, 6, 7 and 8
- 18 and the second amended request.
- MS. CARLSON: And 1 and 12 and 13.
- MR. GOLDSTEIN: 12 and 13 also?
- 21 MS. CARLSON: 1, 5, 7, 6, 12, 13 and the second
- 22 amended request.

- 1 MR. GOLDSTEIN: 1, 5, 6, 7, 12 and 13.
- 2 MS. CARLSON: 1, 5, 6, 7, 12, 13 and the second
- 3 amended request for the transformer information.
- 4 JUDGE HAYNES: Okay. So I assume the company
- 5 will attempt to provide whatever information they
- 6 have that is responsive to those data requests. And
- 7 if the parties aren't able to settle that or reach an
- 8 agreement that discovery has been satisfied, then you
- 9 would have to bring a motion to compel. But at this
- 10 point if there are outstanding data responses, the
- 11 company should respond.
- 12 And clearly because discovery is still
- ongoing, we're not ready to go ahead with an
- 14 evidentiary hearing. So how about we schedule
- 15 another status hearing to make sure that discovery is
- 16 being completed.
- 17 MR. GOLDSTEIN: I think that's agreeable,
- 18 Judge. However, if we do come to some agreement with
- 19 respect to discovery in the meantime, if you set this
- 20 out perhaps 45 days, perhaps we can request, your
- 21 Honor, that the next time we do -- if all is in order
- 22 and we are ripe for evidentiary hearing -- that we do

- 1 have an evidentiary hearing the next time.
- JUDGE HAYNES: Well, only if Ms. Carlson agrees
- 3 with that and everybody's on board.
- 4 MR. GOLDSTEIN: Yes, obviously.
- 5 JUDGE HAYNES: So then should we pick a date in
- 6 the middle of June? The week of the 14th?
- 7 MS. CARLSON: June 14th?
- JUDGE HAYNES: The week of the 14th, any day.
- 9 MS. CARLSON: I didn't bring a calendar with
- 10 me. I'm sorry. It sounds good.
- JUDGE HAYNES: Okay.
- MS. CARLSON: I don't have anything --
- 13 MR. GOLDSTEIN: Perfectly fine with me.
- 14 MS. CARLSON: -- nothing planned that I can
- 15 think of right now.
- 16 JUDGE HAYNES: The 16th or 17th?
- 17 MR. GOLDSTEIN: Either day is fine with me.
- JUDGE HAYNES: Would you like 11:00 o'clock?
- 19 MR. GOLDSTEIN: Yes.
- MS. MERINO: On the 16th?
- MR. GOLDSTEIN: Which day?
- 22 JUDGE HAYNES: No one has a preference? How

- 1 about June 17th at 11:00?
- MS. CARLSON: June 17th.
- 3 MR. GORDON: That would be fine.
- 4 MR. GOLDSTEIN: That's fine, Judge.
- 5 JUDGE HAYNES: Okay. So I expect the company
- 6 to attempt to provide responses; and, if not, I'll
- 7 look for a motion to compel or I will just see you
- 8 again on June 17th.
- 9 MS. CARLSON: Can I bring up another issue that
- 10 was discussed last time?
- 11 MR. GORDON: Ask me.
- MS. CARLSON: It was in the transcript about my
- 13 transformer and the arrestor. Dan said he was going
- 14 to have an engineer come out and look at it, and that
- 15 still has not been done. But, you know, I guess it's
- 16 not all that important. Who cares if electricity
- 17 goes through my house. For the record.
- JUDGE HAYNES: I don't remember what you're
- 19 talking about. Is this a data request you're talking
- 20 about here?
- 21 MS. CARLSON: It was in the transcript. We
- 22 talked about it.

- 1 JUDGE HAYNES: Okay. And I don't remember. So
- 2 what was the question?
- 3 MS. CARLSON: I had a wire that came from the
- 4 arrestor that was disconnected to the transformer.
- 5 And this is a lightning arrestor.
- 6 JUDGE HAYNES: Oh, the lightning thing, uh-huh.
- 7 MS. CARLSON: Yes. And he said that he was
- 8 going to have an engineer come out and look. And I
- 9 even asked him if he could do it on the day that I
- 10 was off work which was a Monday and a Tuesday. But
- 11 nobody has ever contacted me about it. And I suppose
- 12 at this point we can let it go for a while.
- 13 JUDGE HAYNES: There's no harm in having the
- 14 company look into that as well.
- MS. MERINO: Monday or Tuesday she's available?
- 16 MS. CARLSON: No. I was available on a Monday
- or a Tuesday from our last hearing. I'm not right at
- 18 the present time.
- 19 MR. GORDON: Okay. Now, the --
- 20 JUDGE HAYNES: Can you please identify yourself
- 21 for the record.
- 22 MR. GORDON: My name is Robert Gordon. I'm the

- 1 attorney for the petitioner.
- JUDGE HAYNES: Oh, really?
- 3 MR. GORDON: Yes.
- 4 JUDGE HAYNES: Have you filed an appearance in
- 5 this proceeding?
- 6 MR. GORDON: No. I don't know the procedure.
- 7 I haven't been before this Commission in decades. I
- 8 don't remember what the procedure is.
- 9 JUDGE HAYNES: Okay.
- 10 MR. GORDON: If there's such a thing as an
- 11 appearance form, I'll be happy to file one.
- 12 JUDGE HAYNES: Well, there is an appearance
- 13 form that you should file that should get to the
- 14 court reporter; however, you also have to file with
- 15 the Clerk's Office.
- MR. GORDON: Okay.
- JUDGE HAYNES: And as long as you intend to do
- 18 that, that's fine. Go ahead. I was unaware that you
- 19 had an attorney.
- 20 MR. GORDON: She works for me so --
- JUDGE HAYNES: Okay.
- MR. GORDON: -- I've been requested for

- 1 service.
- JUDGE HAYNES: Okay. And so the arrestor, you
- 3 had a --
- 4 MR. GOLDSTEIN: Judge --
- JUDGE HAYNES: Yes.
- 6 MR. GOLDSTEIN: -- you know, we're at a point,
- 7 you know, if Ms. Carlson is going to keep bringing up
- 8 various issues, I think she ought to put all this in
- 9 writing, perhaps file a motion to compel and we'll
- 10 respond to it.
- 11 MS. CARLSON: I'm not bringing up any more
- 12 issues. I just want to --
- 13 MR. GORDON: I don't think that's necessary.
- 14 If they want to send somebody to look, that's fine.
- 15 If they don't -- whatever the results are, they are.
- 16 MR. GOLDSTEIN: I'm sorry?
- 17 JUDGE HAYNES: Whatever the --
- 18 MR. GOLDSTEIN: I missed part of what
- 19 Mr. Gordon said.
- 20 MR. GORDON: I said, if you want to send
- 21 someone to look at it, fine; and, if not, whatever
- 22 happens will happen.

- 1 MR. GOLDSTEIN: Okay. I don't know what that
- 2 means, but okay.
- JUDGE HAYNES: Okay. Is there anything
- 4 further?
- 5 MS. CARLSON: Are you saying that I need to
- file a motion to compel?
- 7 MR. GORDON: She didn't say anything.
- 8 MS. CARLSON: Okay.
- 9 JUDGE HAYNES: That's because your attorney
- 10 that I wasn't aware of said that nothing was
- 11 required.
- 12 MS. CARLSON: Nothing was required for the --
- 13 JUDGE HAYNES: Arrestor.
- MR. GORDON: Okay. Thank you, your Honor.
- 15 So June 17th at 11:00?
- 16 JUDGE HAYNES: June 17th at 11:00.
- 17 (Whereupon, the above-entitled
- 18 matter was continued to
- June 17, 2010, at 11:00 a.m.)
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